Mountain Weather Forecast

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Sunday 21 Feb 2021 until 23:59 on Monday 22 Feb 2021

Forecast Issued on Sunday 21 Feb 2021 at 03:15 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence in forecast for Sunday and Monday and another wet and very windy day on Tuesday, lower confidence on timings and details on Tuesday.

Headline for Sunday 21 Feb 2021: A few wintry showers and southwesterly gales continuing.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 21 Feb 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)	Mist
Precipitation probability					
30%	30%	20%	20%	20%	10%

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Weather: A few wintery showers possible, particularly for south facing ranges like the Angus Glens and southern Cairngorms but cloud beginning to thin and lift with some breaks and sunny intervals expected in the afternoon. Eastern ranges around Loch Muick and Mt Keen will see the best of the sunshine and cloud breaks. Clear spells during the evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 50% in the morning with some cloud lingering especially in the Angus Glens and around showers. Improving to 90% in the afternoon with most cloud well above the summits.

Visibility: The best visibility will be in the east and north of the area where very few showers will reach. Cloud will generally be above the summits with just a few patches falling below 800m. In the west cloud bases will become broken at 600m around wintery showers in the morning. During showers visibility may fall very poor for a time in snow or sleet. Cloud will become more scattered here by late morning at around 700m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	52/61 SW	42/50 SW	44/54 S	42/52 S	42/53 S	40/50 S	36/46 SW
900	38/46 SW	31/39 SW	33/43 S	30/40 S	31/42 S	29/39 S	26/36 SW
600	26/42 SW	20/35 SW	22/38 S	20/37 S	21/38 S	19/35 S	17/33 SW
300	14/32 SW	13/28 SW	16/33 SW	15/31 SW	10/26 SW	7/20 SW	6/15 W
Glen	12/29 SW	12/27 SW	15/32 SW	14/29 SW	7/17 SW	6/16 W	6/13 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	-2/-12	-2/-11	-2/-11	-1/-10	-1/-10	-1/-10	-1/-9
900	0/-8	0/-7	1/-7	1/-6	1/-6	1/-6	1/-6
600	2/-4	2/-4	3/-3	4/-2	3/-2	3/-3	3/-3
300	5/0	5/1	7/3	7/4	5/2	4/1	3/1
Glen	5/1	6/2	8/4	8/4	6/3	5/3	4/2
Freezing Level*	900m	1000m	1000m	900m	1000m	1000m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
A windy day, southerly gales will ease gradually. Feeling very cold with a significant wind chill and freezing level falling just below 1000m. Rain and snow melt from previous days will make streams and rivers very full and fast flowing and some may be impassable, the ground will be very soggy in places.

Forecast for Monday 22 Feb 2021
Weather: Cloudy overnight but then generally a dry and bright day across all ranges with long sunny intervals.

Maximum wind: Southerly or southwesterly 20-25mph with gusts 30-35mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 95% generally all the summits will be clear with some good views available.

Visibility: Very good or excellent throughout.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 4 rising to plus 8 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 1 Celsius.
Freezing level: 600-800m.

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